VENONA

TOP SECRET



USSR

Ref. No:

3/NET/179 (of 30/5/51)

Issued:

26/1/1966

Copy No:

ROH

REISSUE

- 1. DICK TO CARRY OUT TASKS WITHOUT THE HELP OF HELMSMAN
- 2. REQUEST TO EMPLOY GRIGORIJ AS TECHNICAL LIAISON WORKER
- 3. MEMBERS OF THE "NINE"

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 1512

24 October 44

To VICTOR [i].

1. Your No. 4827[a].

At the regular meeting ECMO[EKhO] (henceforth "DICK[DIK]")[ii] told me that on the last occasion he applied to HELMSMAN[RULEVOJ][iii] on the instructions of X[IKS](iv] and not on his own initiative.

In accordance with your instructions I explained to DICK that henceforth he must carry out our tasks without resorting to the help of HELMSKAN.

[13 groups unrecoverable]

[D% take] notice

[24 groups unrecovered]

that he[b] will be

[48 groups unrecoverable]

please sanction the employment of GRIGGRIJ[v] in the capacity of technical liaison man [TEXANICHESKIJ SVYAZIST] with DICK and BOB (henceforth "CZECH [ChEXA]")[vi]. This is particularly important to me in order that I may have more frequent meetings in the town with SERGEJ[vii], NAZAR[viii] and other workers of the OFFICE[KONTORA][ix] and members of the "NINE[DEVYATKA]"[x]. Reply by telegraph not later than 27th October.

24th October

MAY[MAJ][

DISTRIBUTION

3/NBF/179

TOP SECRET.

VENONA





- 2 -

3/NDF/T79

Notes:

[a] Not available.

[b] Or "they".

Comments: [i] VIKTOR : Lt. Gen. F.M. FITIN.

[ii] ECHO/DICK : Bernard SCHUSTER. (Communist Party name CHESTER.)

[iii] HELMSHAN : Earl BROWDER.

[iv] X

: Joseph KATZ.

[v] GRIGORIJ : Probably either G.N. OGLOBLIN or M.N. KhVOSTOV.

[vi] BOD/CZECH : Robert Owen MENAKER.

[vii] SERGEJ

: Vladimir Sergeevich PRAVDIN.

[viii] NAZAR

: Stepan Nikolaevich ShUDENKO.

(ix) KONTORA

: The MGB office in the Consulate General in NEW YORK.

[x] NINE

: Possibly a group of students known as "THE TEN[DESYNTKA]" and later as "THE NINE". Also occurs in NEV YORK's No. 1968 of 28 July 1944 (3/NEF/T592).

[xi] MAY

: Probably Stepan Zakharovich AFRESYAN,

Soviet Vice-Consul in NET YORK.

3/NDF/T79

